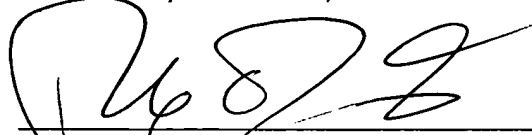


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The attached substitute drawings are being submitted by preliminary amendment because only the informal drawings were reviewed by the applicants prior to executing the declaration and oath. No new matter has been added.

Respectfully submitted,



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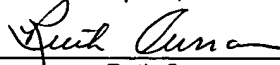
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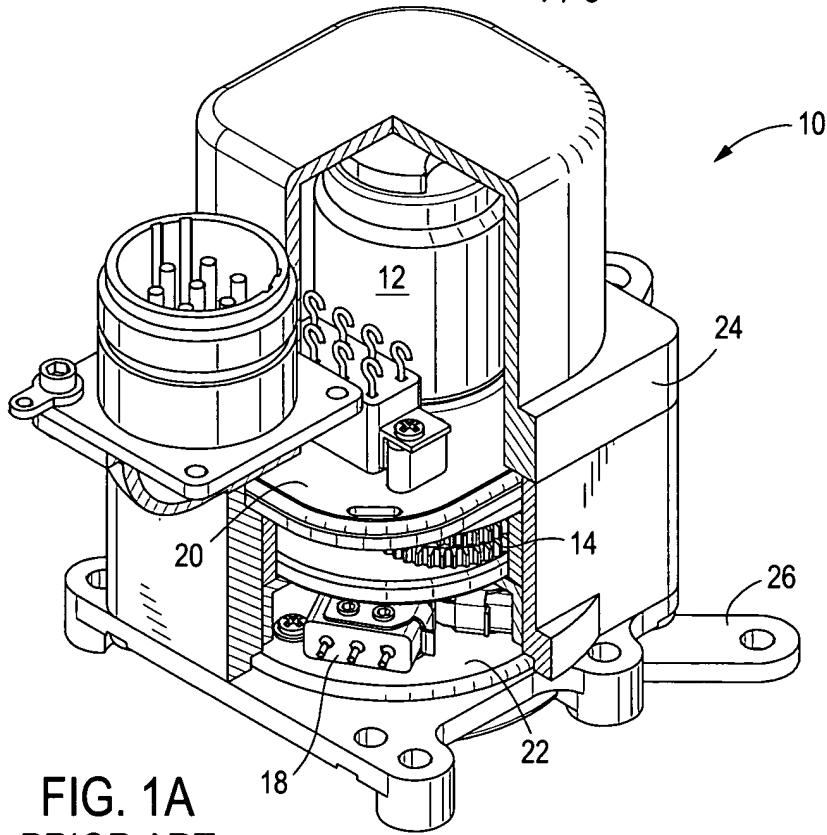


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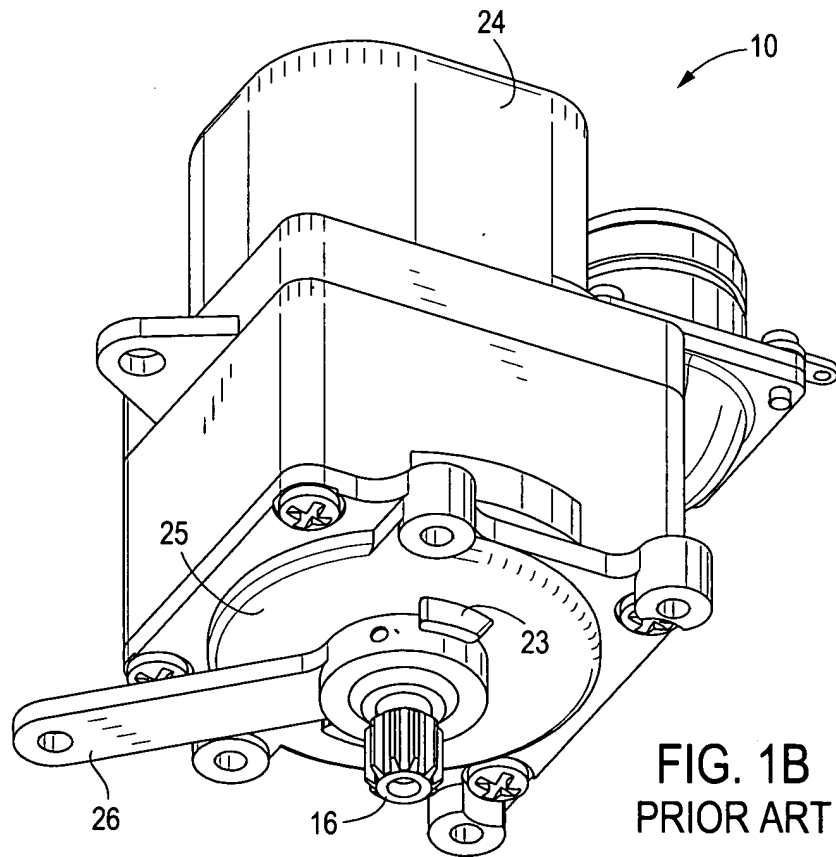


FIG. 1B
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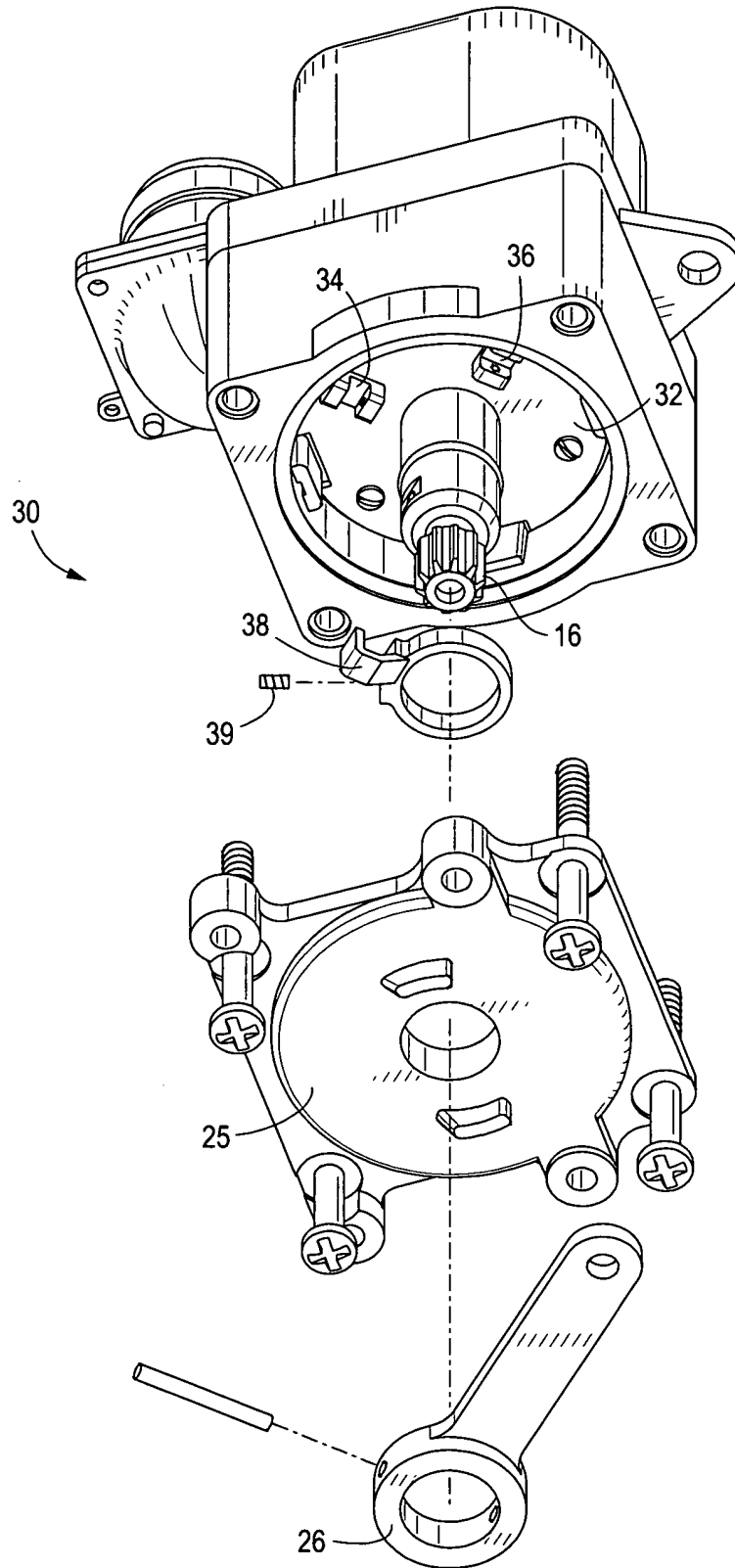


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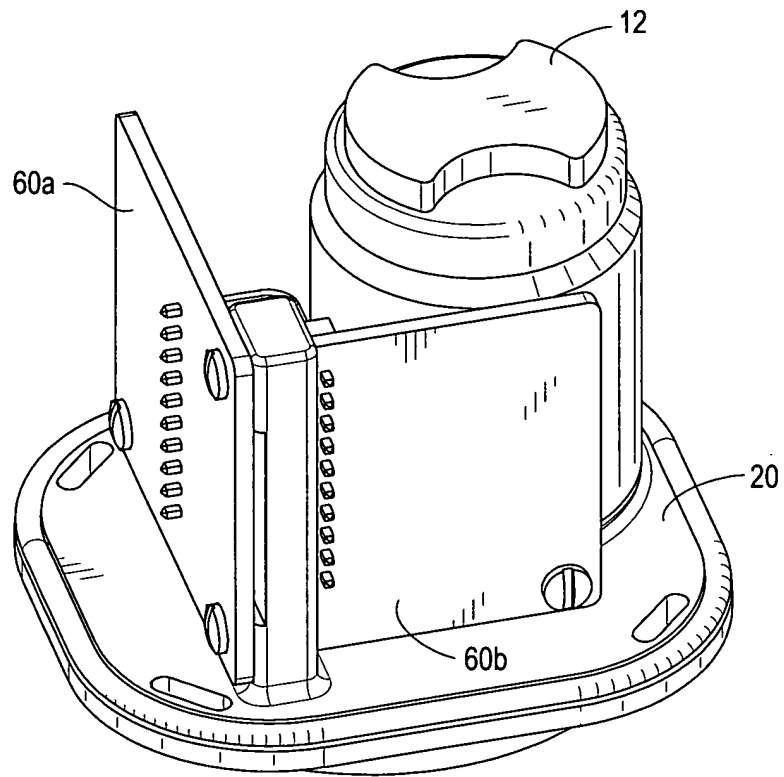


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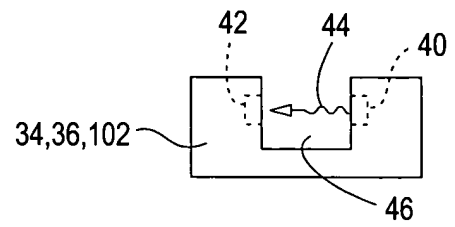


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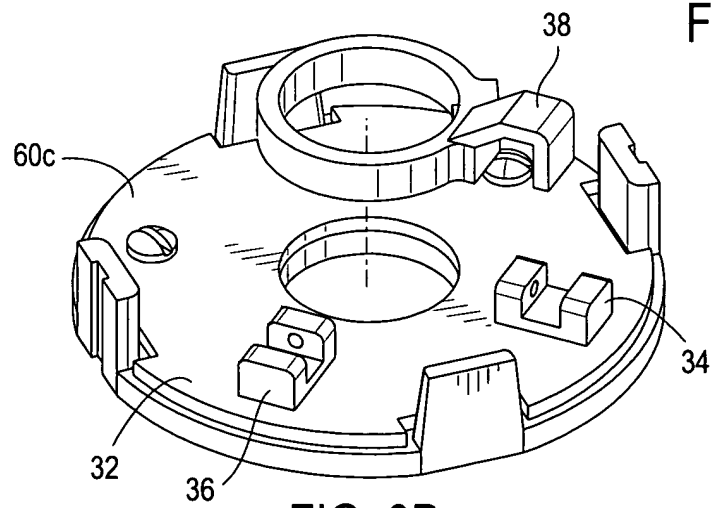


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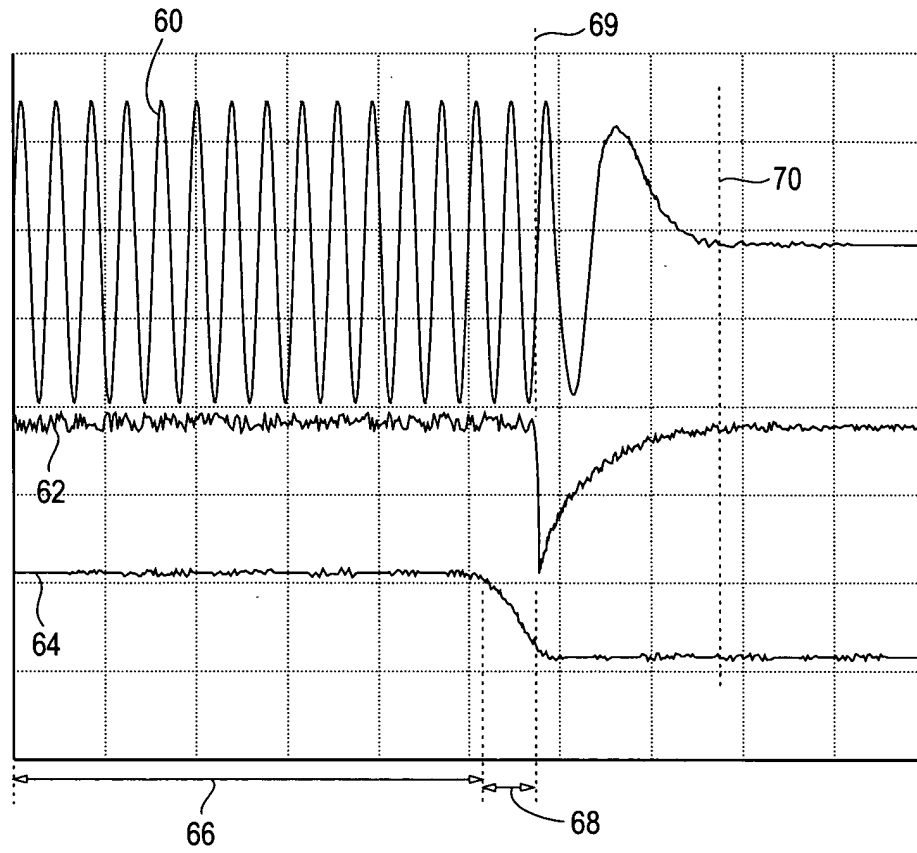


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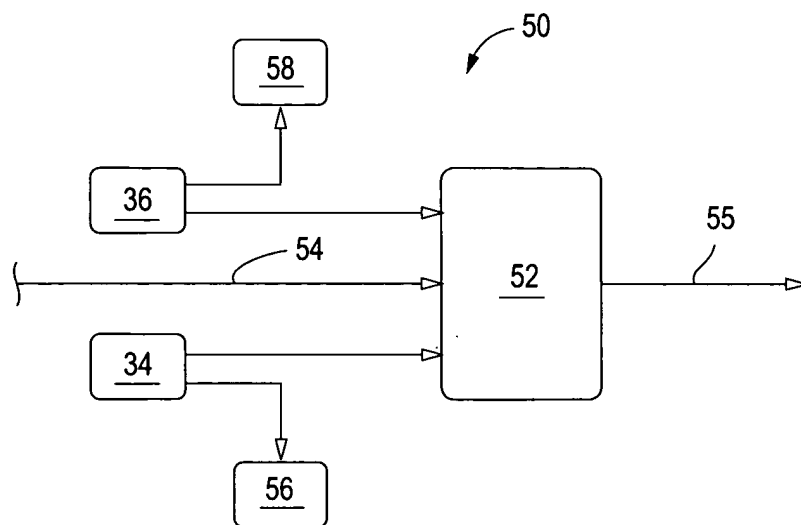


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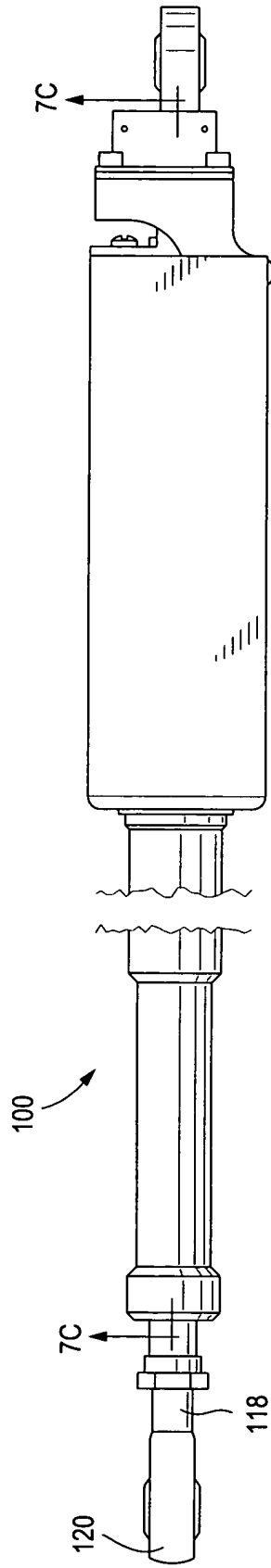


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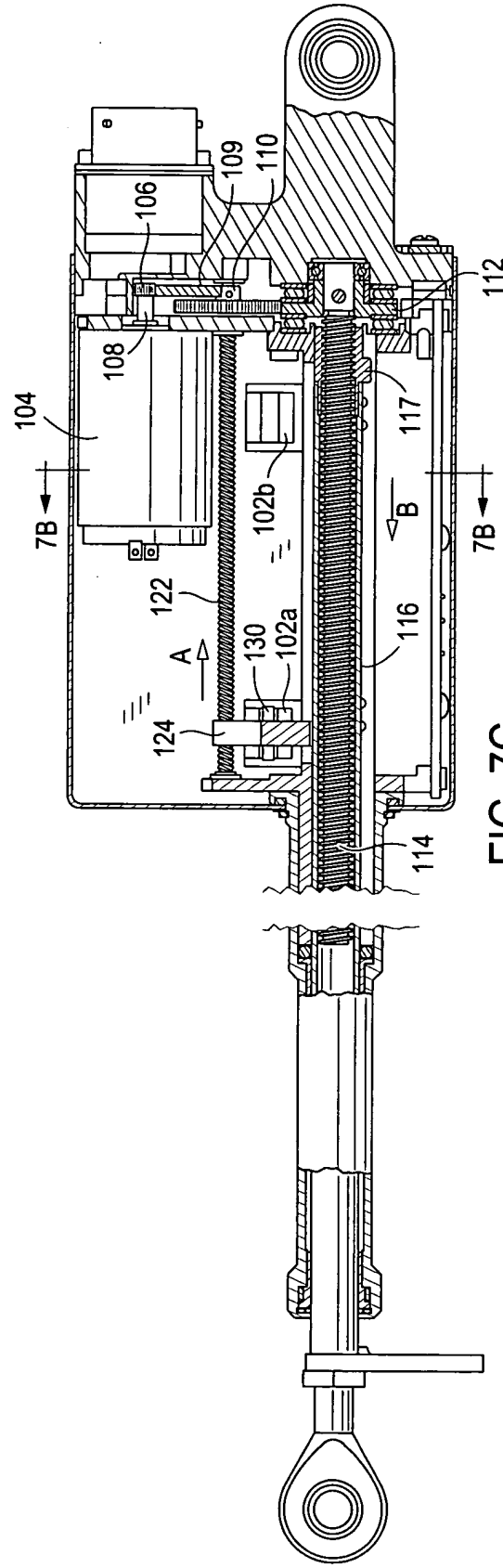


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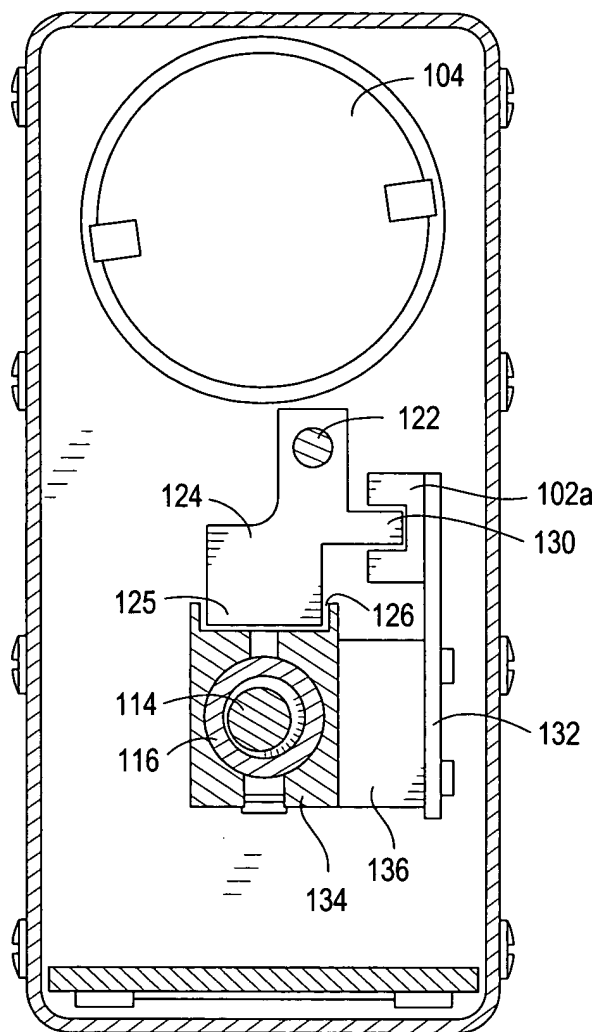


FIG. 7B